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Dear Jim,

I hope this letter finds you in good spirit.

As per our conversation on the telephone last month regarding my potential involvement with the Technical Advisory Group and any potential impact it might have on the clean up of my personal property there have been a number of changes that merit report.

I have decided not to be active with the TAG group and will probably not involve myself with the CAG to any great extent in the future.

With this in mind I feel it is now appropriate to address the specific concerns that center around my personal property. As you know it was tested very early on in the process and as per our past conversations it is understood clean up will take place sometime in the spring of 2003.

I think it is very important for you to realize Cathie and I both operate our separate businesses out of offices located in our home. We spend 20 to 24 hours each day in this environment and as you know I have expressed a grave concern as to the potential impact asbestos has on our personal health.

I would like to have the archived dust samples run and a full report issued as soon as possible. However, I also respect the nature of your busy schedule and perhaps you can write me and let me know just when we can expect the results.

In the event the EPA is going to clean our property up in the spring we really need to set a schedule to do that as soon as possible. My office contains a photographic slide collection that amounts to close to 120,000 images and needs to be secured, protected and moved to another location prior to any clean up. Dust levels in our home are very high and we have taken great care to protect this valuable resource in the past and need to address specific concerns as clean up plans proceed.

Perhaps a more important issue stems from Cathie's business- The Focal Point Studio. She earns most of her income from early spring to the end of fall and works in both the front end of the house and on the property surrounding the house. Again her equipment and supplies are very expensive and we need to deal with it in advance of any

clean up.

Our total income base centers around the use and access to our home. Cathie's clientele rely on both the studio and property and even though we are willing to work with your schedule we have a great deal riding on the specific timing of anything that will happen in the spring with regard to clean up. This problem merits close attention and I solicit your help in arriving at a schedule that will not put us out of business.

I would like to hear back from you if you have any ideas as to how to resolve these matters.

Due to timing of my most recent book contract I will be unavailable to receive calls on the telephone so if you could drop me a note with your responses I would really appreciate it.

I thank you in advance for your kind attention to this matter and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gordon Sullivan". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Gordon Sullivan